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Mr. R. O. Hutchison presided over a meeting of the Sanitary Board on Tuesday afternoon when there were present Hon. Mr. P. N. H. Jones, acting Vice-President, Colonel Bedford, Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, Hon. Mr. A. W. Brewin, Registrar-General, Mr. A. Shelton Hooper, D.F.C., H. L. Fitzwilliams, Mr. Ho Kom Tung, Dr. F. Clark, Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Pearce, Assistant Medical Officer of Health, and Mr. W. Bowen-Rowland, Secretary.

### BATHING IN A PUBLIC PLACE.

In connection with his letter regarding a nuisance at the Western Market, Mr. Shelton Hooper said: "Sir, I thought that this nuisance was of such a nature that the wider the publicity given to it the more chance there is of preventing a recurrence. There is no doubt as to the facts, for you, Sir, were with me and witnessed the occurrence." I therefore communicated to the Government direct, because it seems to me a little doubtful as to who has authority to instruct the Sanitary Department. "I don't know whether the Sanitary Board have, though I think we have, but at any rate the Government have the right to instruct them. It was for this reason I communicated direct. The Government seem to have treated the matter rather lightly and are trying to discount the incident on account of it having taken place after dark. Certainly it was after dark. The market is open to the public after dark, and it was for that reason we were there to report on the lighting. Any member of the public might have been present, man or woman, making purchases, and as I have said the thing is disgusting and revolting. I may take this opportunity of saying that I was informed a week before this incident took place that in this same market a Chinaman was seen deliberately committing a nuisance. Now if you take the two incidents together they will go far to show that there is something lacking in the supervision of the market. The Government in charge of the market, I the Inspector in charge of the market, I was not aware that there was an Inspector in charge of the market, because on September 6th, 1907, the Government informed the Board that, agreeable to the recommendations of the Commission, the office of Inspector of markets had been abolished. Now I would like to ask you, Sir, who are the officers responsible for the market? Has the Veterinary Surgeon anything to do with the market? And if not, who has taken his place? Moreover, I would like to know if there is any Inspector of markets in charge, what his hours of duty are? Having said that, I should be glad to have an answer to these two questions.

The President: The Colonial Veterinary Surgeon has supervision over the markets sold in the market, while the actual cleanliness of the markets is under the Medical Officer of Health. Each market is under the inspection of the district in which it is situated.

Mr. Shelton Hooper:—Then I am right in my surmise that the Medical Officer of Health is left in charge of the cleanliness. The President:—As regards the cleanliness, yes.

Mr. Shelton Hooper:—He will give his orders to the Inspector? The President:—Yes.

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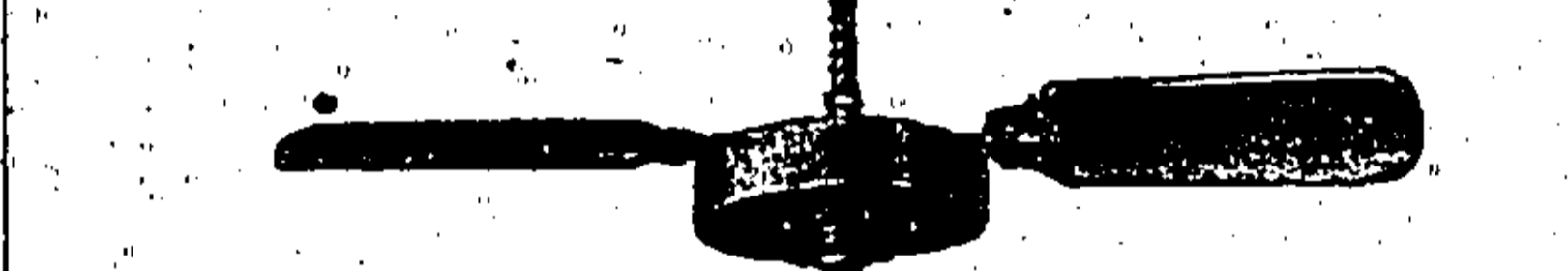
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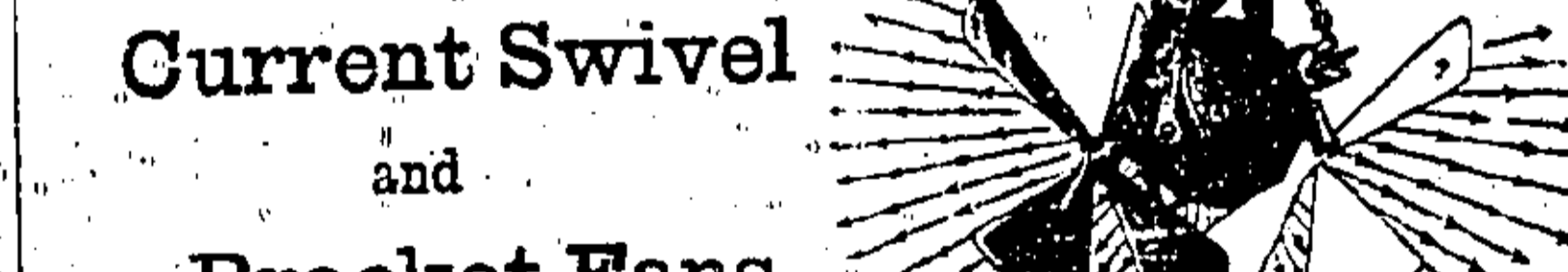


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## on the budget, although they cannot

enforce their views on the Government. They are to have—but all details are left to rules—almost as much power in the matter of questions and supplementary questions as the British Parliament enjoys. Their term of office is to be fixed by statute. No provision for dissolving them if they abuse their powers is provided. The unhappy Governor may find himself with a council of which the majority may be animated by a spirit not only adverse to him but disloyal to the King-Emperor. His time and that of his most important subordinates may be wasted. His best and most necessary projects obstructed by his most active and earnest officers harassed and insulted by questions inspired by animosity of pure mischief. All sorts of ridiculous, perhaps, but also dangerous, resolutions and bills may be moved and put forward. Nothing can be done. No change can be hoped for until the lapse of time shall have brought the term of office of the obstructionists to an end. The Government cannot resign and throw the responsibility on their opponents. The Governor may release himself by offering his resignation and, ruining his career. If he holds on he may be told by a superior Under Secretary that he has only his own incompetence to thank. Eight of these egregious institutions, endowed with great power but responsible only to their own consciences, are to be started immediately on their career.

It will be said that all this is mere assumption. It is not to be imagined that all the non-official members, Hindus and Mahomedans, elected and nominated, will join hands to make the administration impossible. Certainly not at first. The leaders at the Madras Meeting of Congress a few months ago warned their followers to be reasonable and well behaved. Then they said we shall be given a majority in the Imperial Council also in a few years. It must be remembered that many of the prominent men desire to bring British rule in India to an end. It is certain that when it comes to a question of election, the Nationalists, of whose mind we have lately seen some glimpses, will win as they do in Ireland. Congressmen are seemingly unwilling to make the most open display of a disaffection. It is evident that the influential Mr. Gokhale regards the Legislative Councils as a means of continually harassing the Government. In his note he provides for monthly sittings of not less than three days.

## INTELLECTUAL STIMULANTS.

To all engaged in literary work there comes a moment when for the time being the imagination flags, ideas seem to have vanished, and all appeals to inspiration seem to be powerless. There are well-known cases in which great writers have been driven to drink by the very nature of their work. Goethe found that he required in coffee. Goethe preferred brandy, while Du Musset and Edgar Allan Poe fled to opium. Haschisch was to Baudelaire what opium was to the author of "The Confessions." In his early days Goethe found that indulgence in wine impeded his intellectual work; for he had noticed that when Schiller drank more than usual the literary results were deplorable. The faults with which Schiller had been reproached by his critics, Goethe declared, were due to no other cause than this. The mixture of alcohol and apoplexy in which Du Musset placed his hopes ruined his brain, and he ceased to write. Poe died in delirium tremens. The genius of Du Quinoy was destroyed by opium. More innocent have been the means employed by others to awaken inspiration. Some like to have noise and movement around them. One French painter does his best work when his friends are fencing in the room or talking and shouting around him. Some writers go to a café or walk up and down the busy streets to think over what they are going to write. Men engaged in scientific pursuits will walk furiously up and down their room, with bent back and absent look, probing to the depths the problems that baffle them. Kant went for the same walk every day, thinking over his "Critik." Oscar Franck used to play for an hour passages from his "Béatrice" to excite himself to composition. Concert confessed in his "Journal" that, like Flaubert, he is compelled "de monter le bourgeois" before he felt fit to sit down and write. What is the common basis of all these various ways of arousing mental activity? They must give rise to a sensual thrill which sets in motion the play of cerebral phenomena. M. Georges Matisse suggests that these stimuli excite the secretions of certain glands. These secretions alone would increase the dynamic power of the cerebral machine, although he seems to be doubtful if this explains everything. The one thing clear is that intellectual effort requires in the majority of instances a condition of nervous excitation. That is one of the reasons why poets are not always men of quite amiable characters. As he remarks, Plato was quite right in crowning them with garlands and banishing them from his Republic.

Mr. Aquith, replying to the thirty-five bankers and commercial firms who protested recently against the Budget and stated that they were alarmed at the increasing disproportion in the burdens imposed upon the small classes, said that there was no other means of making capital subscribe its quota. In conclusion the Prime Minister contrasted the English scheme with the higher income taxes levied in France and Germany.

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aged monks and nuns who have been

transformed into public charges by the

suppression of the establishments to

which they belonged. Furthermore,

when it is borne in mind that the State

will be obliged sooner or later to appropriate

enormous sums for replacing of the

primary and secondary schools, the

industrial and manual training-schools,

the agricultural schools, and the various

other educational, philanthropic, and

charitable undertakings which have

been wiped out of existence, and to

provide several millions annually for

their maintenance besides, it is evident

that the law against the Congregations,

considered merely as a financial enterprise,

was about as fit a failure as anything could be.

One of the most painful consequences

of the secularization of France, says

Mr. SANDOZ, is to be found in the laicization

of the hospital service. Religious

nurses have been replaced by lay

nurses who are ignorant and brutal.

Suffering is especially rife in provincial

districts. The same observant writer

dwells upon the disasters that have

particularly overtaken two forms of

education—agricultural and industrial.

Agricultural instruction based on exact

science, he says, was introduced into

some of the seminaries as early as 1847.

"The churchmen were among the first,

if not the first, to appreciate the magnificent

results that might be obtained by

applying the discoveries of science to

farming." It is hard to say how many

of these farm schools have been closed,

but one authority puts the figure so

high as to indicate that the total

agricultural instruction in France has

been reduced almost half, with no

provision for replacing what has been

lost. "It would not be easy to discover

an example of greater folly in the history

of modern peoples."

Turning to another aspect of the

present situation, Mr. SANDOZ declares

that the French themselves are becoming

alarmed at the increase in crime, and

its cause, in his opinion, is to be found

in the great part of the secularization

of religious restraints. An American

consul-general of a large provincial city

told him that he and all his neighbours

invariably went armed for fear of the

"Apaches" (gangs of thugs). In Paris

the "Apaches" are estimated at 30,000.

According to the official reports of the

Minister of Justice, for a number of

years preceding 1904 there was an

annual increase of about 5,000 crimes,

which was not counterbalanced by any

corresponding increase in population.

The chairman of the committee on

judiciary reform of the Chamber of

is often pushed into crime by the

hardships he encounters in earning his

bread. But when a mere boy takes to

crime, the chances are that he has

deliberately chosen crime as a career,

because he has been brought up with

false ideals, because he has been given

wrong standards of living. The criminal

of fifteen to twenty, as a rule, has not

even so much as tried to live honestly.

He has grown up to consider work

dishonourable, to believe that the world

owes him a living, and that it is his

business to collect the debt by hook or

by crook. He becomes a thief or a

swindler because he thinks it a finer

thing to be a thief or a swindler than to

be a cabinet-maker or a plumber."

It is rather a gloomy picture here

presented, but perhaps its shadows have

been intentionally darkened to enhance

the appeal to newspaper readers, ever

attuned to the call of the sensational

and bizarre. But that it may, however,

there is little doubt that France has not

yet solved many of the questions which

she fondly imagined had been deter-

mined by the great revolution of over

a hundred years ago; neither has she

succeeded in developing such a condi-

tion of affairs as best conduces to in-

stilling a spirit of content and peaceful

satisfaction among the lower classes of

the population. That M. CLEMENTAUX,

the Premier, is fully alive to the needs

of the nation and is prepared to grapple

with the problems now confronting him

is shown by a speech of his, made the

other day at the unveiling of a statue to

GABRIELLE. He said: "Every reformer

has necessarily two enemies—the reaction-

ary, who wishes to return to forms of

government that have failed, and the

demagogue, who bids so recklessly for

popularity, who uses the liberties attained

to marshal in their ignorance the

popular masses, and to precipitate them

into enterprises of violence at the risk

of ending in the worst of reactions."

It is our role to live in the

present and to face calmly and resolutely

the problems it sets before us. This

is an admirable spirit to cultivate, and

therein lies the hope of France."

COOLIES AND FISH-TANKS.

The discussion at the Sanitary Board

meeting on Tuesday in regard to the

question of responsibility at the public

markets has served a useful purpose. Mr

Secretary, in which he called attention to

a grave breach of sanitary laws by a

coolie employed in the fish market, hardly

received the amount of consideration that

was its due. From the language used

the public were led to infer that officialdom

shirked its obvious responsibilities,

NEWS OF THE DAY.

A 3 1/2 per cent. Victorian Government

loan of one-and-a-half millions has been

issued at 98.

As the Peking Daily News has been

criticizing and satirizing the Government,

the Waiwup is said to be anxious to check

its freedom of comment.

During the 24 hours ended at noon

to-day there were two cases of plague

noticed, both being Chinese subjects from

Yunnan. One ended fatally.

The American government has issued

orders for the maintenance of a closer

guard on the sealing grounds of Alaska.

Raids by poachers are feared.

The Bishop of Victoria begs to acknowledge

the receipt of \$988.97 from the

committee of the recent Garden Fete for

the equipment of the new Seamen's Institute.

The Bishop of Victoria will give a series

of five Bible Readings on the Epistle to the

Philippians on Thursdays at 11.30 a.m. at

his residence 73, The Peak (Mount Kater),

commencing on May 27th.

The annual Whit-Monday picnic in

connection with the Wesleyan Church,

Wanchai, will take place as usual at Tai

Mui Temple. Launches will leave Arsenal

Street Pier at 1 p.m. while launches will

also call at Stonecutters, Kowloon, and

H.M.S. Tamar at 12.30 p.m.

Mr W. Adams Oram, of the Hongkong

and Shanghai Bank, left Shanghai on May

20th on a year's leave. The previous

Wednesday night Mr Oram was entertained

at dinner by Mr H. E. R. Hunter, who

succeeds him in the management of the

ITALY'S NAVAL  
ACTIVITY.

## INCREASE OF FIVE MILLIONS.

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London, May 25.

A Rome message states that the amended naval estimates provide for an expenditure of £17,500,000 sterling, to be spread over six years. This is an increase of £5,572,000 compared with the original estimates, and includes provision for the laying down of two dreadnoughts.

DEATH OF ADMIRAL ST  
JOHN.

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London, May 25.

The death has occurred of Admiral Henry, Craven St. John, of Chino-Japanese fame.

[Note:—The late Admiral St. John was a J.P. for Gloucestershire. He entered the Navy in 1831, and was six years later promoted to the rank of Lieutenant for his good offices in an engagement at Pashan Creek. For the part he played in the attack on and destruction of Chinese piratical junks in 1840 he was made Commander, and was especially promoted to the post of Captain for his arduous surveying services in Japan. The late Admiral served in the Reserve and Channel Squadrons as senior officer at Gibraltar and Hong Kong, and was decorated for his services as A.D.C. to Her late Majesty the Queen, and also obtained the Baltic and China medals and clasps.]

GERMANY'S NAVAL  
DEFECT.

## TOO FEW CRUISERS.

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London, May 25.

Admiral von Koester, speaking at the opening of the German Navy League Congress, at Treves, insisted that Germany had too few cruisers compared with Great Britain, and said the defect must be remedied and a seventeenth battleship added.

ANOTHER FRENCH  
STRIKE.

## NAVAL RESERVISTS OUT.

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London, May 25.

As a result of the strike of French Naval Reservists there are now 20 mail steamers detained at Marseilles. The Government has hastily introduced a Bill authorising the conveyance of the mails to Algeria in foreign bottoms, as well as a Bill defining the legal status of employees of the State, permitting Unions within single Departments, but prohibiting a confederation of such Unions.

## CANTON-HANKOW LOAN.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, May 25.

The Canton-Hankow railway loan agreement will be signed on the 23rd inst.

CHINESE SCHOLARS FOR  
AMERICA.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

London, May 25.

Owing to the disagreement between the Board of Foreign Affairs and the Board of Education the dispatch of scholars to America is delayed.

## ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

For assaulting a Chinese female a soldier was fined \$7, at the Magistracy to-day.

A coolie was fined \$50, at the Magistracy to-day, for trespassing on Army Ordinance ground.

A native was sentenced to six hours stocks, at the Magistracy to-day, for stealing a jacket.

Fines of \$15 each were imposed on four natives, at the Magistracy to-day, for placing salt on the footway at Yau-mat.

Mr F. A. Hazeland fined a native \$7, at the Magistracy to-day, for trespassing on the servant quarters at the residence of Mr Macintyre at Tsimshui.

Sergeant Cooper prosecuted three rickshaw coolies, at the Magistracy to-day, for obstruction at Observation Place, and a fine of \$3 each was imposed.

A native was sentenced to two months hard labour and six hours stocks, at the Magistracy to-day, for stealing two castings and a piece of electric cable value \$50 from the Talkoo docks.

Mr F. A. Hazeland had before him, at the Magistracy to-day, a case in which one Waterworks coolie and two others were summoned for stealing 1,800 feet of rail piping from Kennedy, Condit, and Albert Roads, the property of the Government. The case was remanded. Over 1,000 feet have been recovered.

## EMPIRE DAY SHOOT.

RETURN FROM THE  
STRAITS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, May 25.

The following scores were made in the Daily Mail Empire Day shooting competition:—

Singapore ... .. 757  
Penang ... .. 719  
Ipoh ... .. 715

[Note:—The Hongkong score was 660, and Shanghai reached a total of 727.—Ed., C. M.]

## ALLEGED KIDNAPPING.

A Chinese male and female were summoned before Mr J. H. Kemp, at the Magistracy this morning, for kidnapping an unmarried girl under the age of 18.

Mr H. L. Donny, senior, prosecuted and Mr Otto Kong Sing defended.

Mr Donny said that the woman defendant, claimed to be the mother of the girl but she parted with her voluntarily and had received money for her. After she had been away for three days she was taken back and they went to Singapore. Subsequently they returned and on May 10 the girl was disposed of again to be adopted, by a prostitute, the wife of a gentleman who was in charge of the Chinese Legation in Mexico. The girl was taken to the house when it was arranged that she should be adopted for the sum of \$100 to be paid to the go-between in three days if the girl was contented and happy. The girl seemed happy enough, the money was paid, her trunks being bought and clothes ordered for her. She remained in the house four days when defendant came with a note-book in his hand and said he had come to see if the water was alright. By this means he gained entrance to the house and he further said it was necessary for him to see if there were any rat holes which required stopping. In this way the male defendant got to the room where the girl was whereupon he seized her and took her out of the house. The Amah saw him and tried to follow but was immediately confronted by two men who dared her to proceed further in peril of her life. The Amah however raised an alarm and some men who were in an adjoining carpenter's shop gave chase and defendant was stopped before Bellios street.

Evidence was then taken and the case adjourned.

HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC  
SOCIETY.

The annual general meeting will be held in the City Hall, on Tuesday, 1st June, 1909, at 5.30 p.m. The Hon. Mr F. H. May, C.M.G., the President of the Society, will take the chair.

## A HARBOUR COLLISION.

## The Sequel.

The case in which Asmus Hansen, master of the s.s. Jacob Diederichsen, charged Kwok So, master of the steam launch Mitsui, with failing to regard the rules of the road, was resumed before Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., at the Marine Court on Tuesday afternoon. Com. Taylor said he found that the steam launch should have kept clear of the steamer, and in doing so she ought not to have attempted to cross the steamer's bows. The defendant failed in his duty in both respects, and finally failed to put his helm hard a port. He also found that the Jacob Diederichsen was not to be blamed for the collision, in which two lights were sunk. He would suspend the defendant's certificate for one month, after which he would have to pass another examination before his certificate would be returned to him.

THE OVERDRAFT APPEAL  
CASE.

Before the Chief Justice (Sir F. Pigott) and the Puisne Judge (Mr Justice Compton), sitting as a Full Court, to-day, the hearing of the appeal was resumed in which Leung Shiu Kong asked that the judgment of the Chief Justice in the Court below should be rescinded or so varied in so far as it adjudged him liable to the Imperial Bank of China as guarantor of his deceased brother, Leung King Wo, on an overdraft.

Mr M. W. Slade and Mr H. G. Callthrop were for the appellant, and Hon. Mr H. E. Pollock, K.C., represented the respondents. Mr Slade said he could show from the Bank's own books strong prima facie grounds for believing that the account showing the deficiency was not a personal one, and it was for the Bank to prove the opposite beyond any reasonable doubt before they could have judgment for the amount. Mr Callthrop said their Lordships would see by the re-arranged defence that Leung King Wo, after the agreement entered into for guarantee, acted as a guarantor to the Bank. That was an agreed ground for discharge of the surety. That also led to the point that if this deficiency was made out against Leung King Wo it was one which arose from his position as manager. Therefore the surety was discharged on that ground from any liability under the agreement on the part of appellant. Emphasising the first point, Mr Callthrop said even supposing Leung King Wo, after twelve months had elapsed, instead of being appointed agent had continued his position as manager, nevertheless his surety was discharged from the fact that the original agreement was for one year only.

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PHYSICAL CULTURE  
EXHIBITION.

A private demonstration of physical culture, feats of strength and endurance was given at the Hongkong Cinematograph, by Mr Harold Evelyn, ("Bon Hur"), on Tuesday evening before a fair attendance of gentlemen. "Bon Hur" lifted by means of his feet with wonderful ease, a quantity of granite weighing about 1,000 lbs. Then followed another difficult feat of lifting a plank on which were seated eight coolies, and not being content with this, the performer allowed six Europeans to stand on his chest while he was horizontally suspended in the air from two bottles. Subsequently "Bon Hur" got a gentleman to drop an immense piece of granite on to his abdominal muscles, which feat was successfully accomplished without mishap, the performance concluding with an exhibition of the muscles, to musical accompaniment.

Mr Harold Evelyn, who is a native of New Zealand, is only 23 years of age and weighs 130 lbs. Recently he had the misfortune to fracture his right arm while in French territory and this has left it somewhat weak.

Altogether the performance was very good and is well worth seeing. Mr Evelyn is appearing nightly at the Hongkong Cinematograph.

NEXT SATURDAY'S  
GYMKHANA.

The second gymkhana of the season, which takes place on Saturday next, commencing at 3.30, should prove of considerable interest as several novices to the Hongkong Course have been entered. Mr John Johnstone has brought down some nice movers from Shanghai. Yesterday some useful gallops were done. Actual the Hon. Mr May in the saddle, did a good steady mile and a quarter in 2.34, last quarter 33. This pony is in good condition and is likely to again win the mile-and-a-quarter as he did last gymkhana. Butcher, Mr Denoon, and Coxcomb, Mr Dupree, went through quarters in 1.38. Butcher winning. The times taken were:—

Astral, 1 1/4, 1.15, 1.47, 2.31, 2.54.  
Dunkerry, 1.07.  
Larkspur, (late Cattistock) 1 1/4, last 38, 1.11.  
Little Dot Rose, 1m, last 38, 1.10, 1.44.  
Butcher and Coxcomb, 3/4, 1.04, 1.38.  
Macarrey, 3/4, 1.15, 1.47.

On May 11 we were able to publish the programme in full and are now, through the courtesy of the Hon. Secretary of the Gymkhana Club, able to publish the entries which are as follows:—

Five Furlongs Flat Race.—  
Mr C. E. Anton's Dunkerry, 158 lbs. ...  
Major Cobbe's The Thief, 155 lbs. ...  
Mr C. E. G. Davidson's Seraph, 140 lbs. ...  
Mr F. B. Denoon's Butcher, 152 lbs. ...  
Mr D. L. K. Leeson's Seafoam, 151 lbs. ...  
Mr K. K. Highland Heather, 140 lbs. ...  
Mr H. G. Moore's Lyman, 150 lbs. ...

Welter Race, Half a Mile.—  
Mr Blank's White Heather, 108 lbs. ...  
Mr Elms' Kinkadee, 108 lbs. ...  
Major H. Findlay's Billy, 182 lbs. ...  
Hon. Mr W. J. Gresson's Birthday, 168 lbs. ...  
Mr K. K. Highland Heather, 140 lbs. ...  
Gresson's Leah and Moore's Sportsman (late Volga), 151 lbs. ...  
Mr L. K. Leeson's Seafoam, 151 lbs. ...  
Hon. Mr F. H. May's Astral, 151 lbs. ...  
Mr Sherlock's Larkspur (late Cattistock), 140 lbs. ...

Three Furlongs and Sections of Three.—  
Col. Chaurier.  
Capt. Finch.  
Capt. Climo.  
Capt. Leah.  
Major Eaton.  
Capt. Barker.  
Mr Potter.  
Mr Wood.  
Mr Sill.  
Mr Brice.

The Hongkong Mounted Troop.—  
Lieut. Johnston.  
Trooper Dupree.  
Trooper Macarrey.  
Trooper Maxwell.  
Trooper McDermott.

ONE MILE FLAT RACE.—  
Mr C. E. Anton's Dunkerry, 158 lbs. ...  
Mr Blank's Grey Duck, 152 lbs. ...  
Mr M. W. Slade's Gambler, 155 lbs. ...  
Mr D. L. K. Leeson's Seafoam, 151 lbs. ...  
Mr Dryadus's Barry, 140 lbs. ...  
Hon. Mr W. J. Gresson's Little Dot Rose, 156 lbs. ...  
Admiral Lambton's Kaurahou, 162 lbs. ...  
Mr Lawley's Theodolite (late Backstay), 157 lbs. ...  
Commodore H. Lyon's Swan, 162 lbs. ...  
Mr H. G. Moore's Lyman, 150 lbs. ...  
Mr Soti's Macarrey, 150 lbs. ...  
ONE AND A QUARTER MILE FLAT RACE.—  
Bashir.

Mr F. B. Denoon's Dart, 151 lbs. ...  
Mr Dryadus's Coxcomb, 158 lbs. ...  
Mr Dryadus's Triad, 154 lbs. ...  
Major W. A. Eaton's Came Chick 142 lbs. ...  
Major Findlay's Whitehawk, 140 lbs. ...  
Hon. Mr W. J. Gresson's Garth, 154 lbs. ...  
Hon. Mr W. J. Gresson's H. H., 151 lbs. ...  
Mr J. Johnston's Just in Time, (late White Heather), 150 lbs. ...  
Mr K. K. Highland Heather, 130 lbs. ...  
Messrs Leah and Moore's Sportsman, (late Volga), 150 lbs. ...  
Mr L. K. Leeson's Seafoam, 151 lbs. ...  
Hon. Mr F. H. May's Astral, 151 lbs. ...  
Mr Sherlock's Larkspur (late Cattistock), 140 lbs. ...

By kind permission of Lieut. Colonel R. Bayard, D.S.O., and the Officers of the 2nd Battalion The Buffs, the Band of the Regiment will play the following selections during the afternoon.

March.—"With Banners Waving."—Blon Overture.—"Zampa."—Herold Selection.—"The Belle of Brittany."—Caryl Valse.—"Luna."—Lindley Gavotte.—"Rumple."—Trotter Selection.—"The Whistler and His Dog."—Fryer Sketch.—"Gipsy Life."—Le Thiere Galop.—"Landscape."—Hans G. B. Hawry, 2nd Conductor.

GOO HATS THE KING.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council is to be held to-morrow (Thursday).

The orders of the day are:—  
Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Five hundred and twelve thousand two hundred Dollars and thirty-four Cents, to defray the Charges of the Year 1908.

Third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Code of Civil Procedure.

Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Public Health and Buildings Ordinances 1903-1908.

Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance for authorizing the Construction of a Tramway within the Colony of Hongkong.

## LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, May 5.

Perhaps the most striking thing about the Budget debate so far was the challenge made by John Redmond to the Opposition to use it as a pretext through the House of Lords for forcing a dissolution.

The fact is, it won't do for that purpose. It irritates a lot of people, but they are not the mass of the people—unless indeed the increased taxes on spirits and tobacco are objected to by the masses. Lloyd George, however, has kept his hand off beer, which was recently described by Lord Haldane, as being "one of the foods of the people," and he has also refrained from increasing the taxes on tea and sugar.

It is the rich man who is squealing, and in many cases his cries have reason in them, for the man who is running a small estate on a close margin already is in both income and land. Some of them will feel the variety of taxes very trying, and the only consolation will be that they are helping "the greatest humbug," which is far too altruistic to most ordinary human nature.

It is funny for the non-party man to watch the papers in these latter days. The Liberal papers are praising the Budget and its maker as the greatest since the democratic since Sir William Harcourt invented the death duties. On the other hand the Conservative papers, especially those catering for motorists and such folk, can't find in their vocabulary words of sufficiently scorching vitriol to describe the Chancellor and his works.

Their anger is not unreasonable, for it is really a determined attempt to fleece the rich. The official hand gets deep into all their pockets, and death only opens their estates to increased deprivations.

The Budget speech was a tremendous effort of strength and lasted for three till eight o'clock, with the exception of half an hour when he was taken, on the kindly initiative of Mr Balfour, to the Lobby Room to get his voice. I never remember such an innovation as a suspended Budget speech before.

As a matter of fact, as a work of financial art it was disappointing. Gladstone used to sign figures to match and make and Ritchie were models of order and conciseness. Asquith put his case with striking ease and lucidity. Lloyd George was long-winded and discursive, and he seemed to lose himself in a volume of words when he tried to maintain to himself the speech was altogether too long and he often lost the attention of the House, but nevertheless he delivered a Budget that is regarded as a good electioneering instrument.

The abatement on the 5000 year man's income tax, of £10 a year for every baby is calculated to be popular in many middle class homes, though some of the papers are trying to make out that the Budget is essentially a tax on the middle class. "I can't see that," I want only to say. I do see that the very rich are going to have to contribute a goodly bank roll, and in the case of the tax on undeveloped sites that are accumulating value from the improvements of the municipality of the neighbourhood, the "wonders" can't get out of their minds the injustice. We are other taxes, I think there is legitimate ground for the criticism that the Budget is far too diffuse, makes too many pin pricks on too many sections, and risks hitting the same man over and over again in different capacities. For instance brewer, motorist, and landowner.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE REINSTATEMENT OF DR. LELLO.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—In your Miao Notes you noticed a paragraph re the reinstatement of Dr. Lello as Colonial Secretary of Macao and the comment made upon it was undoubtedly very well expressed. It will be a great calamity if Dr. Lello should resume his former position in Macao. We are quite convinced that he would upset the new organizations that are now contemplating for the welfare of that Colony and of its inhabitants. Both the Portuguese and Chinese Communities had enough of him and he is too well known in the Far East for his misdeeds to be forgotten. People say that when he last went home he had bought lands for cultivation, if so, he should be much happier there than in China! We don't want him here, let him stay on his farm wherever it is. Why Dr. Macalister would not remain in Macao! Now is the time when his services will be much appreciated, there being the right man in the right place like Governor Roads. These are the men that we want. Let the Lisbon Government disavow from their agent the idea of reinstating such a man like Dr. Lello, if they wish for the revival of Macao. We all solemnly protest against his reinstatement. By the insertion of the above we thank you, Mr Editor. Yours,

## VOX POPULI.

The Spring Rifle Meeting of the Shanghai Municipal Police was opened at the Rifle Range to-day and will be continued to-morrow. There are seven events at different ranges, and there being a large number of entries and some very nice prizes offered, the meeting promises to be a great success.

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Report of the General Managers  
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to 31st December, 1908.G. A. WATKINS,  
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General Managers.

## HONGKONG, May 14, 1909.

ALGERNON CHARLES  
SWINBURNE.

Punch's in memoriam tribute to Swinburne is from the pen of Mr Owen Searns, the Editor, and is very finely expressed.

What of the night? For now his day is done.  
And he, the herald of the red sunrise, Leaves us in shadow even when the sun Sinks from the sombre skies.

High peer of Shelley, with the chosen few He shared the secrets of Apollo's lyre, Nor less from Dionysian altars drew The god's authentic fire.

Last of our land's great singers, dowered at birth With music's passion, swift and sweet and strong, Who taught in heavenly numbers, new to earth, The wizardry of song—

His spirit, fashioned after Freedom's mould, Impatient of the bonds that mortals beat, Achieves a franchise large and uncontrolled Rapt through the void of air.

"What of the night?" For him no night can be; The night is ours, left ringleads and forlorn; Yet o'er the darkness, where he wanders free Behold, a star is born.

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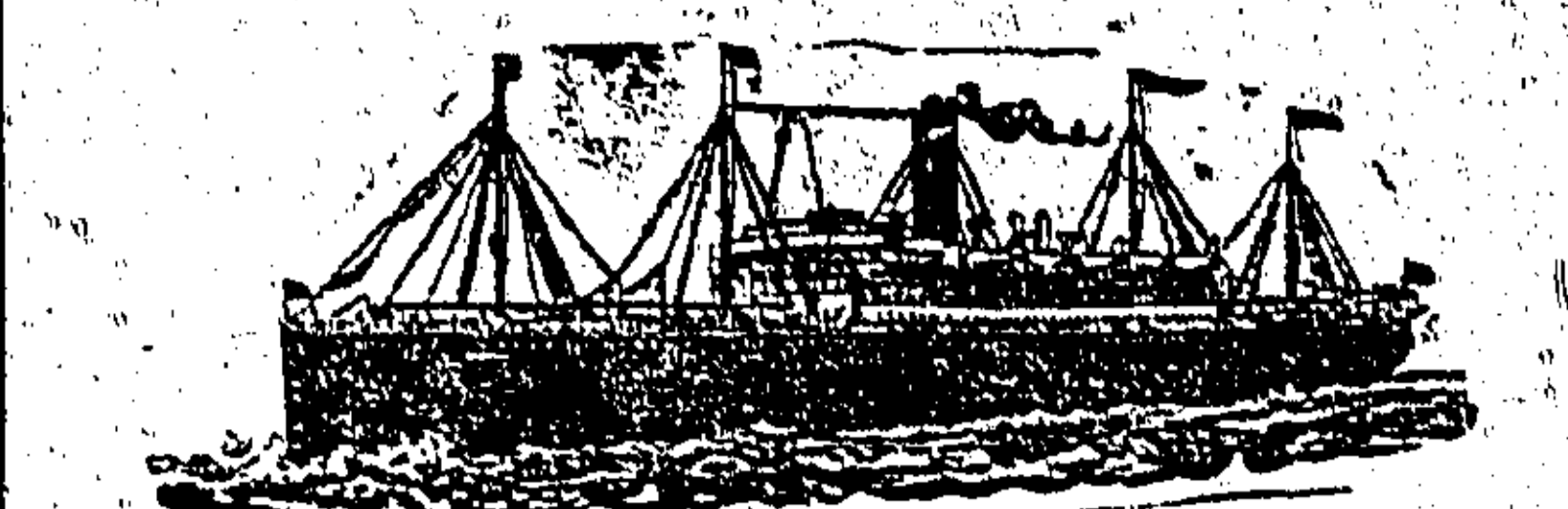
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## THE REGENT OF CHINA.

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A very interesting article appears in the Century from the pen of Dr. Isaac T. Headland, of Peking, on "The New Ruler of China." The writer entirely approves of the selection of the heir to Kwang Hsu.

The only other selection would have been Prince Pu Lu, but he is, however, available to succeed the aged Prince Ching. He tells us of the Regent: "I have reason to believe that Prince Chun, the present Regent, has the support of all the wiser and better elements of the Reform Party, as well as those great men who have been successful in tiding China over the ten most difficult years of her history." He is progressive and used his eyes and ears when he visited Berlin in 1901 on the expiatory mission for the murder of Baron Ketteler. "After his return to Peking he purchased a brougham, as did most of the other leading officials and princes at the close of the Boxer troubles, and driving about in this carriage he has been a familiar figure from that time until the present."

On the whole, Prince Chun begins his reign with a brighter outlook for his foreign relations than any other ruler China has ever had. What shall we say of his Chinese relations? Being the brother of Kwang Hsu, and himself a progressive young man, he ought to have the support of the Reform party, and being the choice of the Empress Dowager, he will have the support of the great conservative officials who have had the conduct of affairs for the last quarter of a century and more, and especially for the past ten years, since the Emperor Kwang Hsu was deposed."

With the aid of Mrs. Headland we are given some interesting glimpses of Court life. The following anecdote may be of interest: "It is a well-known fact that no Manchurian woman ever binds her feet, and the Empress Dowager was as much opposed to footbinding as any other living woman. Nevertheless, she would not allow a subject to presume to suggest to her ways in which she should interfere in the social customs of the Chinese, as one of her subjects did." This lady was the wife of a Chinese Minister to a foreign country, and had adopted both for herself and her daughters the most ultra style of European dress. She one day said to her Majesty, "The bound feet of the Chinese women make us the laughing stock of the world." "I have heard," said the Empress Dowager, "that the foreigners have a custom which is not above reproach, and now, since there are no outsiders here, I should like to see what the foreign ladies say in binding their waists." The lady was about to command the appearance of an hour-glass and turning to her daughter, a tall and slender maiden, she said, "Daughter, you show Her Majesty." The young lady demurred until, finally the Empress Dowager said, "Do you not realize that a request coming from me is the same as a command?" They are bound up with steel bars, and they can scarcely breathe. Pitiable! Pitiable! The following day this young lady did not appear at Court, and the Empress Dowager asked her mother the reason of her absence. "She is ill to-day," the mother replied. "I am not surprised," replied her Majesty, "for it must require some time after the bandages have been removed before she can again compress herself into the same proportions," indicating that the Empress Dowager supposed that foreign women dealt with their waists bound, just as the Chinese women do with their feet.

The Rangoon Bar Association has sent the following telegram to the Lieutenant Governor:-This Association considers the present state of the Judiciary in Burma very unsatisfactory and desires to point out that four out of five judges of the Chief Court hold officiating appointments, that since the establishment of the Chief Court out of six barrister judges four have only had small Cause Court experience, and that some of the civilian judges had little or no judicial experience, and this Association protests against this principle of selection which has resulted in the appointment to the Chief Court Bench of a civilian judge whose purely judicial experience extends to little over six months." Copies of the above have been sent to the Viceroy, the Home and Legal Members and Mr. Sinho.

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MANILA, YOKOHAMA, YUENANG	YUENANG	FRIDAY, June 4, at 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, FUKUSANG	FUKUSANG	MONDAY, June 7, at Noon
KOBÉ & MOJI	KOBÉ	TUESDAY, June 15, at Noon
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DEW & LOU O	CHUNG	June 1, at 4 p.m.
WUHAWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	CHUNG	June 1, at 4 p.m.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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DAIJI MARU, Capt. Y. KAWABE, TAMSUI, via SWATOW AND AMOY, SUNDAY, 30th May, at 10 a.m.

DAIGI MARU, Capt. H. MURAYAMA, TAMSUI, via SWATOW AND AMOY, SUNDAY, 6th June, at 10 a.m.

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T. ARIMA, Manager.

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## Shipping.

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TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR

COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.  
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STEAMERS	Leave	Connecting Steamers	Due at	Due at
to	Hongkong	from Colombo to	Marseilles & London	Paris
Colombo	1909		3 days earlier	1 day later
COCHINA	May 29	VICTORIA	May 28	July 2
DELI	June 12	MOORAN	June 10	July 18
DEVANAH	June 18	CHINA	June 16	July 24
ARAYAH	July 10	MACDONALD	July 8	Aug. 13
DELTA	July 24	MONTAGNA	July 22	Aug. 27
DELHI	Aug. 7	MONTAGNA	Aug. 5	Sept. 10
CALEDONIA	Aug. 21	MONTAGNA	Aug. 19	Sept. 24
DEVANAH	Sept. 4	MONTAGNA	Sept. 2	Oct. 7
ASSAYAH	Sept. 18	MONTAGNA	Sept. 16	Oct. 21
DELTA	Oct. 2	MONTAGNA	Oct. 20	Nov. 4

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.  
Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong or at time of booking.  
In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following:

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Hongkong	London	London
ROMALI	June 2	July 17
POONA	June 16	August 1
KAMUR	June 30	August 15
SIMLA	July 14	August 29
MALTA	July 28	September 12
BARDINIA	Aug. 11	September 26
SYRIA	Aug. 25	October 9

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta, Marseilles.  
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TO AUSTRALIA.MAIL SCHEDULE.  
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STEAMERS	ARRIVE HONGKONG	LEAVE HONGKONG
FROM AUSTRALIA	FOR AUSTRALIA	
ALDENHAM	May 31	28th May, at Noon
EMPIRE	June 23	20th June, at Noon
EASTERN		21st July, at Noon

THE above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State Rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewardess are carried. For further particulars, apply to

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Hongkong, November 2, 1908.

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Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Dates
KAFIRO	2540	R. Rodgers	Manila	May 29, at Noon
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For Freight or Passage, apply to

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FOR BOSTON & NEW YORK, via PORTS  
"AND SUEZ CANAL."(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT THE  
MALABAR COAST).

STEAMSHIP

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General Agents.

Hongkong, May 24, 1909.

## Shipping.

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## HONGKONG-SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS.

HIGHEST-Class, Fastest and most luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having splendid Accommodation for First-Class Passengers. Electric Light and First-Class Cuisine.

STEAMSHIP	For	LEAVE
HAIRYANG	SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW	FRIDAY, 28th May, at 1 p.m.
HAIMUN	SWATOW	SUNDAY, 30th May, at 10 a.m.
HAICHING	SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW	TUESDAY, 1st June, at 1 p.m.

For the convenience of Passengers, Steamers will arrive at, and depart from, the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

For Freight and Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK &amp; CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, November 17, 1908.

## JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LJJN

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN  
JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIBODAS	JAPAN	First half of June	JAVA	First half of June
TJILATJAP	JAVA	Do.	SHANGHAI	Do.
TJILIWONG	JAVA	Do.	JAPAN	Do.
TJIPANAS	JAVA	Second half of June	SHANGHAI	Do.
TJIKINI	JAVA	Do.	JAPAN	Do.
TJIMAH	JAVA	First half of July	SHANGHAI	Do.

THE Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LJJN.

YORK BUILDINGS, 1st Floor.

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FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship OCEANA, Captain T. H. HIDE, R.N., carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., with Passengers and Mails, on SATURDAY, the 28th May, 1909, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship Victoria, 6,500 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is second best departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. OCEANA, due in London on the 6th July, 1909.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to  
E. A. HEWITT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 15, 1909.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship ARRATON APOAR, Captain A. SHEWAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 29th May, at Noon.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified Doctor.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN. (Occupying 24 days).  
Steamers leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Yokohama returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) Moji to Hongkong providing a stay of 5 to 6 days in Japan.

Return tickets are available by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamers.

Fare for round trip \$130.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 20, 1909.

## CHARGEURS REUNIS

FRENCH STEAMSHIP COMPANY

REGULAR FREIGHT SERVICE

TO SAN FRANCISCO, MEXICO, PERU, CHILE, RIVER PLATE, BRAZIL.

THE Steamers of the Chargeurs Reunis Co. proceed from Yokohama DIRECT TO SAN FRANCISCO, without any call en route thus affording a fast regular cargo service from China and Japan to San Francisco.

The S.S. AMIRAL KEXELMANS, 10,000 Tons, Captain X, will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO and other above destinations on or about the 21st of May.

For further particulars, apply to  
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,  
Agents at Hongkong.

Hongkong, April 14, 1909.

## 'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP, VIA MANILA, STRAITS &amp; COLOMBO.

THE Steamship DENBIGHSHIRE, Captain BARRETT, will be despatched as above on the 18th June.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 11, 1909.

## Notice to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
STEAMER SYDNEY.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London as s.s. Medoc, from HAVRE as s.s. Medoc, from BORDEAUX as s.s. Pils de Lorient, and Pils de Constantin, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Treasure, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 11 A.M. To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned, Goods remaining unclaimed after TUESDAY, the 1st June, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 1st June, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on TUESDAY, the 1st June, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. DE CHAMPAGNE, Agent.

Hongkong, May 25, 1909.

## IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship LUTZOW, having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuable, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 24th of May, 1909, will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th of May, at 2.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 30th of May, 1909, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MEIERS & CO.,  
General Agents.

Hongkong, May 18, 1909.

## SIR ROBERT HART'S

MEMORANDUM.

A Series of Articles on the Boxer Movement in China.

Reprinted from the China Mail. To be had in pamphlet form at, 5th Office, 5, Wyndham Street.

Price 2s. 6d. each.

## Notices to Consignees.

'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, MIDDLESBORO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship Cardignathine having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 31st May, at 8 A.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, May 24, 1909.

## AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE Co.'s Steamship China having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 31st May, 1909, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 31st May, 1909, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WHEELER & Co., Agents.

Princo's Buildings.

Hongkong, May 25, 1909.

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, JAPAN &amp; SHANGHAI.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship ASIA.

The above-named steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge of the vessel will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after THURSDAY, May 27th, 1909, at 5 p.m., will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

All cargo undelivered MONDAY, May 31st, 1909, at Noon will be subject to rent.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's Godown SATURDAY, May 29th, 1909, at 10 A.M.

S. SILVERSTONE, Agent.

Hongkong, May 24, 1909.

## 'MOGUL' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP BRAEMAR.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 24th June, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the TUESDAY, 1st June, at 2 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DOWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, May 24, 1909.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Arratton APOAR having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Cargo will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense. Cargo remaining on board after 4 P.M., of the 27th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees of cargo from Singapore are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside, such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 24th June, or they will not be recognized.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, May 25, 1909.

## A RAMBLE

SOUTHERN FORMOSA

With Woodcuts.

Price... 30 cents.

To be had at the CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

## SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY

SHORTEST AND QUICKEST ROUTE BETWEEN THE FAR EAST AND EUROPE, VIA DAIRIN.

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THRICE WEEKLY EXPRESS TRAIN SERVICE, composed of excellently equipped Sleeping, Dining and 1st class Cars, operated between Dairin and Changchun in connection with the Trans-Siberian Express Train and with the Dairin-Shanghai Direct Steamer Service by the S.S. 'Kobe Maru' and 'Sakiko Maru' (9,577 tons each), as follows:—

## NORTH-BOUND.

Leave—Shanghai (Steamer)	Thursday	Saturday or Sunday
Arrive—Dairin	Monday or Tuesday	Friday
Lv. Shanghai	11 a.m.	
Ar. Dairin	8.50 p.m.	
Ar. Mukden	8.15 p.m.	
Ar. Changchun	5 a.m.	
Ar. Harbin (Russian Train)	8.55 a.m.	
Ar. Shanghai	3 p.m.	

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## A TRIP TO CHINA.

Bangkok Banker's Strange Experience.

CHAINED, IMPRISONED AND FLOGGED.

Mah Mee Soon, banker, broker, and merchant, is one of the best known Chinese business men in Bangkok, says the Sun. He was born in the district of Taihu, China, came to Bangkok when he was sixteen and is now 45 years of age. He began life here as an ice-cream vendor, and became so well-known and liked that H. R. H. Prince Devanagava gave him special permission to vend ice-cream in the Royal Palace. By degrees he worked his way up the ladder till he reached the affluent position he enjoys to-day. Mah Mee Soon has a wife and three children in Bangkok and also a wife and three children in his native village Tso Yoo. He has made several trips from Bangkok to his native place, going via Swatow.

On November 3, 1908, Mah Mee Soon left Bangkok by steamer on one of these periodical trips. He had enjoyed about a month's rest in his native village, when one day a military company of men with two officers came to his house, and, charging him with being a rebel, arrested him. He was bound with a chain around his neck and his hands fastened behind, and made to walk for a day to a railway station, where he was undressed and brought to Taychoo, the big town of the district.

Here he was brought before a court and charged with being a rebel. This he denied, but his denial and explanations were not accepted and he was detained in prison. There are several prisons in this town and Mah Mee Soon was sent to one where 60 other prisoners were confined. After three or four days he was taken before the court again and asked to admit he was a rebel. He refused and was then put in the cage, the Chinese equivalent for the stocks, and kept there an hour. Again he was pressed to admit being a rebel, but refused. He was then ordered to be flogged. He got 50 strokes with a rod, then was brought before the court once again. Still refusing to answer as the court desired, he got flogged 50 strokes at a time, till he got 240 and had become unconscious. The floggings lasted for over an hour and a half. Unconscious and bleeding he was carried on a board to the prison where he lay for eight days unable to move. After the lapse of eight days attempts were made to take his hands, but this he prevented. For this he was ordered to be again flogged, but seeing his flesh was too raw for further flogging he was put in the cage instead. He was altogether undergoing this torture for about 88 days, during which he was taken before the court seven times.

The last time he was taken before the court he was informed a telegram had been received from Bangkok signed by several hundred people there who vouched for him. He was given to understand that these officials were satisfied he was a rich man from Bangkok and on complying with certain demands he was ultimately released on February 18 last. The expectation of his release was of course only by convincing those who required it that he really was a rich man from Bangkok. After recuperating for a month at his home near Tso Yoo, Mah Mee Soon returned to Bangkok, where he was interviewed. When asked if he had made any complaint to the Chinese authorities, Mah Mee Soon smilingly replied that it would only involve explaining to many more that he was a rich man from Bangkok, and the redress he was likely to obtain was not worth what it might cost to get it.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 26th at 11.45 a.m.—The barometer has fallen quickly in Japan, the depression lying over the Eastern Sea yesterday having reached the neighbourhood of the Kii Channel.

Pressure has increased considerably to moderately over the Yangtze Valley and Szechuan respectively. It is now high over the former area.

East N. to N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and along the northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.35 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow:—

- 1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N. to N.E. winds, fresh; equally, but depression lying over the Eastern Sea yesterday having reached the neighbourhood of the Kii Channel.
- 2.—Formosa Channel: Same as No. 1.
- 3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook: Same as No. 1.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

## EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, May 26, 1909.

On London ... .. 1/10 1/2

Bank Wire ... .. 1/10 1/2

On demand ... .. 1/10 1/2

30 days sight ... .. 1/10 1/2

4 months sight ... .. 1/10 1/2

6 months sight ... .. 1/10 1/2

On Paris ... .. 1/10 1/2

On Berlin ... .. 1/10 1/2

On New York ... .. 1/10 1/2

On Hongkong ... .. 1/10 1/2

On Shanghai ... .. 1/10 1/2

On Canton ... .. 1/10 1/2

On Swatow ... .. 1/10 1/2

On Amoy ... .. 1/10 1/2

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Gold Loan, 100 fine, (per ton) ... .. \$85.20

Silver (per ton) ... .. \$11.15

Bar Silver in Hongkong ... .. \$11.15

Bar Silver in Shanghai ... .. \$11.15

Copper Cash ... .. \$11.15

Rate of Native Interest ... .. 4 p.c.

Chinese Sub. Coin ... .. 7 1/2 d.

Hongkong Sub. Coin ... .. 7 1/2 d.

YVESSELS AT THE DOCKS.

At Kaitum—Hain, Onang, Kiao Zam

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## THEIR SCALPS IN A DREADFUL STATE.

Four Children Suffered a Year with Terrible Ringworm—Hair All Came Out in Patches Leaving Scalp Dry and Scaly—Grew Worse Under Various Treatments.

ALL CURED BY TWO SETS OF CUTICURA.

About eighteen months ago my four children had ringworm on the body and head. They were under the doctor's care over three months without any satisfactory result. In fact they got worse. The doctor tried several times to cure them with various remedies, but all failed. At last a friend of mine, who had used Cuticura, advised me to try it. I bought two sets of Cuticura and used it. I had two lots of each and before I finished the second lot they were completely cured. Now they have beautiful heads of hair, soft and glossy. I had two lots of each and before I finished the second lot they were completely cured. Now they have beautiful heads of hair, soft and glossy. I had two lots of each and before I finished the second lot they were completely cured. Now they have beautiful heads of hair, soft and glossy.

For Faded Fretted Women

In the 32-page pamphlet wrapped around Cuticura Ointment are to be found most valuable suggestions for women, especially mothers, for removing torturing, disgusting humors, rashes and inflammations; for sensitive, antiseptic cleansing of ulcerated, inflamed mucous surfaces and destruction of microscopic life; for bringing about by suggestion and medication a normal condition of health, strength and beauty.

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